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0600 Hours

NATIONAL PHOTOGRAPHIC INTERPRETATION CENTER

PRELIMINARY SITUATION REPORT NO 10

The following is the status of significant military installations in Cuba based on a preliminary analysis of aerial photography from [REDACTED] and BRASS KNOB Missions flown on [REDACTED]

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1. CAMILO CIENFUEGOS (SANTA CLARA) AIRFIELD

A total of 51 aircraft observed, including 29 FISHBED, 14 FAGOT, 2 BRIGADYR, 1 HARE, 1 HOUND, 1 CREEK, and 1 single-engine probable CESSNA.

The FISHBED are being armed with air-to-air missiles -- preliminary analysis indicates them to be the ATOLL AA-2 infrared homing missiles. At least 3 such missiles are observed alongside aircraft. Seven missile dollies in front of an earth-covered revetment indicate that it probably is being used for storage of the air-to-air missiles. Each dolly apparently holds 2 missiles.

2. REMEDIOS AREA, MILITARY CAMP

Area contains approximately 6 probable FROG missile transporters, 39 T-54 tanks, 3 SU-100 self-propelled guns, 8 armored personnel carriers, 11 personnel carriers, 2 tractor trailers, 8 electronics vans, and 120 assorted vehicles, mostly trucks. Extensive lumber storage and framework of buildings indicate that the tent camp is being converted into frame barracks.

3. SAN RICARDO, MILITARY CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY

The area contains 130 cylindrical tanks in shallow excavations and approximately 30 additional tanks scattered throughout the area. Conduit caps on the end of the tanks indicated that the tanks may be for liquid storage. Discoloration on 7 of the tanks indicates that some of them may have been buried previously. Seven fuel trucks and several cargo trucks are parked in the area.

4. MARIEL NAVAL PORT

Incomplete coverage of Mariel Port Facilities reveals the following: No cargo vessels are anchored in the harbor. The freighter, [REDACTED] present on [REDACTED] has departed from the pier and has cleared the harbor.

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Thirteen naval vessels are present -- one ANTONIO MACEO-class PF, one PF [REDACTED] 3 PT boats, and 8 KOMAR-class PGMG. Equipment within the pier area consists of one stack of precast concrete arches, one stack of precast conduit sections, 34 oxidizer tank trailers, 4 probable IRBM propellant trailers, 11 fuel trailers, 15 vans, 10 trucks, 3 tractor semitrailers, 1 semitrailer, 6 generators, 1 fuel tank trailer, and 7 mobile cranes.

La Boca pier is covered by small-format, oblique photography. No vessels are docked at the pier, but obliquity precludes identification of items in the pier area.

5. SAN JULIAN AIRFIELD

Both [REDACTED] and Brass Knob photography of [REDACTED] covered San Julian Airfield and revealed continued activity in the assembling of Beagle/Mascot aircraft. Results from these missions and a comparison with information obtained on [REDACTED] is as follows:

	[REDACTED]	Brass Knob	[REDACTED]
Beagle/Mascot assembled	5	7	7
Beagles incomplete*	2	2	
Beagles fuselages	3	2	2
Beagle fuselage crates**	21	22	24
Total	31	33	33

No military equipment or shipping crates were observed at Mendoza O Isabel Rubio, the transshipment point for San Julian Airfield.

* These are located at the same position as the two Beagle fuselages of the previous day. These aircraft have wings, and tail assembly installed but no engines or wing flaps.

** The decrease in the number of fuselage crates indicates continued construction. It is probable that at least two Beagle were airborne at the time of [REDACTED] photography.

6. No PI read-out is available on the following installations as of 0500:

LA ISABELLA PORT
CASILDA PORT
CASILDA, MISSILE EQUIPMENT AREA
MANICARAGUA AREA, STORAGE INSTALLATION
LA ROSITA AREA, STORAGE INSTALLATION
PLAYA YATERITAS, LANDING BEACH
LOS CANOS AIRFIELD
HOLGUIN AIRFIELD

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STATUS OF MISSION READOUT

The following is the status of the PI readout on missions flown on [REDACTED]. The figure 65 in the % PI completed column denotes that the PI scan has been completed but that all information has not been processed by the coordinator.

% PI Completed

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